



#6/A
1-2-01
M.L.

**PATENT
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of: Jesus Prieto VALTUENA, et al

Serial No.: 09/674,445

Group No.: --

Filed: November 1, 2000

Examiner: --

For: USE OF INTERFERON ALPHA 5 IN THE TREATMENT OF VIRAL LIVER DISEASES

Attorney Docket No.: U-013039-2

**Commissioner Patents and Trademarks
Washington, DC 20231**

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Official Action of May 4, 2001, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please rewrite the paragraphs beginning on page 9, line 26 and ending on page 11, line 18 as follows:

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING (37 CFR 1.8a)

I hereby certify that this paper (along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited with the United States Postal on the date shown below with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to the: Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Washington, DC 20231

CLIFFORD J. MASS

Type or print name of person mailing paper)

Date: July 5, 2001

(Signature of person mailing paper)

00674445 110100